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As a long time computer user I am appalled the direction the justice department is taking. I strongly oppose your settlement and I strongly oppose the idea that Microsoft "giving" software to schools is a penalty. That's a mistake, it's just a way to make them make more money.

Microsoft is about one thing: making money. I've got nothing against that, I do that too. I just don't lie, cheat, steal, and crush people and companies in order to do so. I don't think that you should let them do that and that is the message you are sending.

Think about it. Do you have kids? What would a kid think about all this? They have a way of cutting through and getting to the point. A kid would see this as "the guy with the money can do the wrong thing and get away with it". What's that say about our country? You should be ashamed of this. What is happening is pathetic. It's an embarrassment to this country, to what we stand for, to our heritage. How are you going to feel if the EU slams Microsoft and our own government just folded their tent and caved in to some rich nerd?

Come on, have some backbone, there are lots of people like myself out here who feel this way and we have long memories. Do the right thing. It's what this country is about.

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